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| TITLE OF INVENTION Surface Treatment   |   |   |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US International Business Machines Corporation  |   |   |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Des  | signated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the foll   | owing items and Other information:  |
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| 11 An Information Disclosure Statement   | under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.   |   |
| 12 An assignment document for recordi  | ng. A separate cover sheet in complianc   | e with 37CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.   |
| 13. XX A preliminary amendment.  |   |   |
| 14 An Application Data Sheet under 37  | CFR 1.76.   |   |
| 15 A substitute specification.   |   |   |
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| 18 A second copy of the published inter  | national application under 35 U.S.C. 15   | 4(d)(4).  |
| 19 A second copy of the English langua   | ge translation of the international applic  | cation under 35U.S.C. 154(d)(4).  |
| 20. XX Other items or information: Unexect   | ued Declaration and Power of Attorney   |   |

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The following documents are submitted to USPTO on June 20, 2005. Please stamp and return this paper to us.

- 1. Copy of International Application as filed (specification: 22 pages including claims and abstract)
  - 2. Number of sheets of drawings: 8
  - 3. Preliminary Amendment
  - 4. Letter in support of the US National Phase
  - 5. Papers filed on June 16, 2005
  - 6. Declaration

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### **LETTER**

Sir:

This letter is being submitted in support of the National Phase Application for the docket noted above. June 20, 2005 is the deadline for entering National Phase in the US for the above-noted application which claims priority from PCT Application No. PCT/IB2003/05129 filed on November 12, 2003 and published as WO 2004/056470 on July 8, 2004, which claims priority from European Application No. 02028555.7, filed on December 20, 2002.

On June 16, 2005. Applicants filed papers to satisfy the US National Phase requirements of the above-noted application and paid the required fee. Applicants have not yet received Application Serial Number for the June 16, 2005 filing. The papers including Express Mail Receipt as filed on June 16, 2005 are enclosed herewith. However, Applicants erroneously filed the June 16, 2005 papers without claiming priority to the abovementioned PCT Application.

In an abundance of caution, Applicants are resubmitting papers for US National Phase filing. Applicants request that the fee paid on June 16, 2005 be diverted to satisfy the fee requirements for the US National Phase papers being filed with this letter.

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Applicants would promptly provide to the concerned Examiner the Application Serial Number information for the June 16, 2005 filing upon receipt from the USPTO.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Patent Application of:

Inventor(s): Bruno Michel, Sergey Amontov, Emmanuel Delamarche

**ASSIGNEE NAME: International Business Machines Corporation** 

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